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For: **ENYZMES HAVING ALPHA AMYLASE
ACTIVITY AND METHODS OF USE THEREOF**

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
AND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Responsive to the Election/Restriction Requirement Office Action mailed June 30, 2004, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response to the Office Action is due July 30, 2004. Applicants submit herewith a Petition for Extension of Time to extend the time to reply to this Office Action for three months to October 30, 2004. Accordingly, this Response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 7 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 25 of this paper.

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